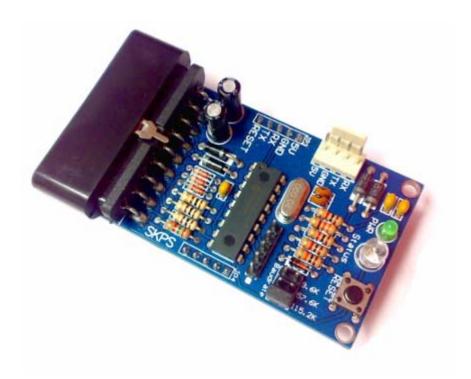


PS2 Controller Starter Kit

SKPS



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1. INTRODUCTION

Play Station 2 (PS2) controller is relatively easy to obtain from any game store and it offers good human manual input for control system. More and more developers are looking into applying existing PS2 controller to control particular system. The major problem to archive this is the socket for PS2 and the protocol to communicate with it. PS2 socket is very unique and difficult to source. Besides, protocol to obtain the status (digital and analog) of each button and analog stick on PS2 controller create headache to developer.

Thus, Cytron Technologies has designed a PS2 Controller Starter Kit, SKPS to offer solution. This starter kit offers a compact yet reliable PS2 Controller Converter for user. SKPS's power and UART pin is compatible with SKKCA and SKXBee. A host is needed to communicate with SKPS through UART. Reading Joy-stick button's state will be as easy as 1, 2, 3. It offers a standard connector for Sony PS2 controller to plug-in.

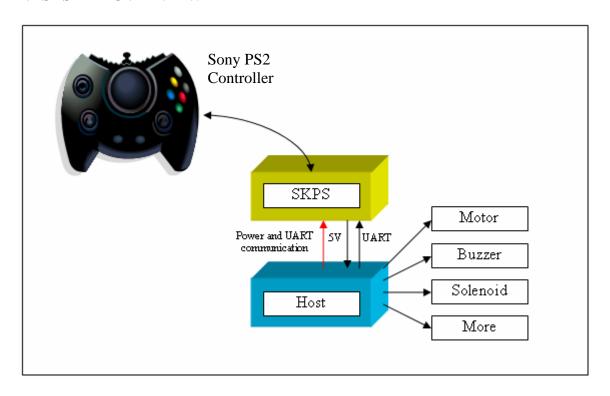
It has been designed with capabilities and features of:

- 5V powered, low current consumption, less than 150mA.
- 1 standard PS2 controller socket.
- Communicate with host microcontroller through **UART**.
- Simple inquiry command and button status feedback for host to process.
- **Vibrator motor** is controllable.
- Wired or wireless PS2 controller is fully compatible.
- PS2 Controller will only operate in analog mode.
- A small LED as indicator for communication between SKPS and PS2 controller.
- **Dimension** 7.4cm x 3.9cm

NOTE: Communication between SKPS and host is done through 5V TTL UART at selectable baud rate (9600, 57600 or 115200)



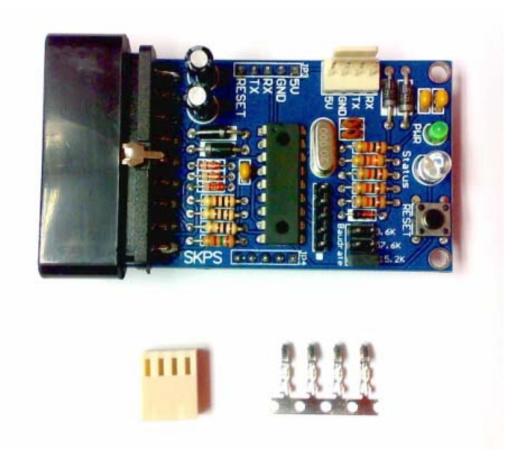
2. SYSTEM OVERVIEW





3. PACKING LIST

Please check the parts and components according to the packing list. If there are any parts missing, please contact us at sales@cytron.com.my immediately.

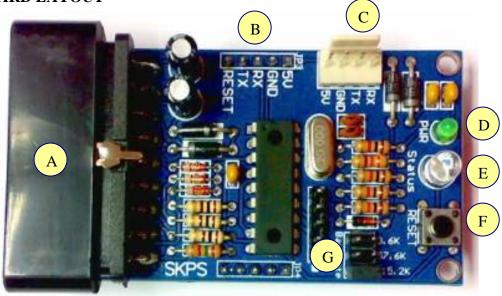


- 1. 1 x SKPS board.
- 2. 1 x mini jumper of SKPS board.
- 3. 4 x 2510 iron pin.
- 4. 1 x 2510 4 ways female connector.

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4. BOARD LAYOUT



Label	Function		
A	PS2 connector socket, please connect the PS2 controller here		
В	5 ways header pin for external power and UART interface to		
	microcontroller.		
C	4 ways 2510 header pin for external power and interface to PC or		
	microcontroller also (depends to user).		
D	On board power indicator LED (Green)		
E	On board indicator LED (Blue) indicators for check connection		
E	with controller status.		
F	On board reset button for SKPS.		
G	Baud rate selector.		

A - Connector for PS2 controller

- B-5 ways header pin for external power supply and UART interface.
- C Alternative 4 ways 2510 header pin for external power supply and UART.
- D On board power indicator LED. It should be ON if SKPS is powered by stable 5V.
- E On board indicator LED, it indicators the connection status between SKPS and PS2 controller.

No controller connected : Blink

Controller connected : On with 50% brightness Controller connected (button pressed): On with 100% brightness

F – Reset button for SKPS board.

G – Baud rate selector. User may either choose 9600, 57600 or 115200 baud rate. Place the jumper to select the baud rate.



5. PRODUCT SPECIFICATION AND LIMITATIONS

SKPS is designed to offer a compact and reliable PS2 Controller Converter for user. The specifications are as listed below:

Label	Definition	Function	
5V Please Please do not be a second of the s		External power source for SKPS, the typical voltage is 5V. Please ensure this 5V source is a stable supply. Please do not use normal AC-DC adaptor to power it. It is recommended to use linear regulator (7805) to provide 5V supply.	
GND	Ground or negative	Ground of power and signal.	
RX	SKPS UART Receive signal	This is SKPS's receiver pin, it should be interfaced to 5V logic UART, no divider is necessary. This is an input pin to SKPS. It should be connected to microcontroller's transmitter pin.	
TX	TX SKPS UART Transmit signal This is SKPS's transmitter pin; it should be in 5V logic UART. This is an output pin from should be connected to microcontroller's received.		
RESET	SKPS Reset pin	Reset pin of SKPS. It should be connected to a push button to Gnd, or NPN transistor.	

Absolute Maximum Rating

Symbol	Parameter	Min	Max	Unit
5V	Power source for SKPS	4.5	5.5	V
GND	Operating voltage ground	0	0	V
RX	Receiver pin of SKPS	0	5.5	V
TX	Transmitter pin of SKPS	0	5.5	V
RESET	Reset pin of SKPS	0	5.5	V

NOTE: SKPS can only be powered by either by PC through 4 way 2510 connector or external power (5V). The 5V must be a stable supply. Any ripple higher that 5.5V will spoil the controller on SKPS and it is not replaceable.



6. HARDWARE INTERFACE

Generally, there are 2 methods of using SKPS. It has been designed for interface to embedded system with 5V TTL (microcontroller) or connection to computer (normally for functionality test).

6.1 Microcontroller

One of user's main concerns when using SKPS is the interface with microcontroller.

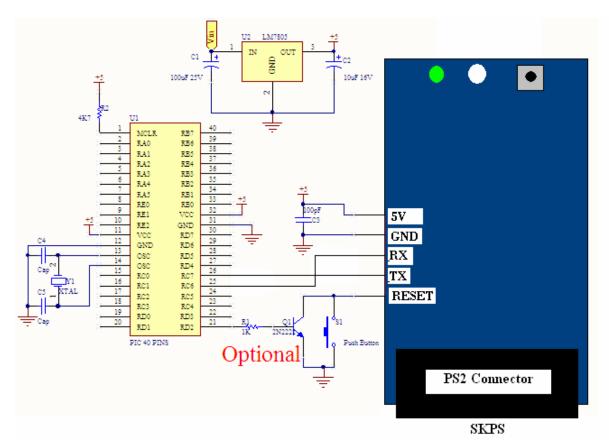
a. To begin, user may connect 5V and Gnd of SKPS to microcontroller board. Header socket can be used to connect SKPS to microcontroller board.



- b. Once the 5V is supply to SKPS, the small green LED should light ON and Status LED will blink. After PS2 is connected, it will stop blink and ON with half brightness.
- c. As 2nd step, user might need to connect the RX and TX pin to microcontroller. Of course, these two pins should be cross connected to microcontroller. In other words, RX should be connected to microcontroller's Transmitter pin (TxD), while TX should be connected to microcontroller's Receiver pin (RxD). No extra component is necessary between these connections. For details connection, please refer to sample schematic.
- d. If configuration of UART is completed, SKPS is ready for embedded development. Sending and receiving data require software or firmware development on particular microcontroller.
- e. Finally, the RESET pin of SKPS. This is an optional pin for user as there is already a reset button on SKPS. However, if user would like the microcontroller to reset SKPS during run time, a transistor is required for interface between microcontroller and SKPS. Please refer to following schematic for example of microcontroller interfacing with SKPS.



f. Any microcontroller with UART peripheral can be used to interface with SKPS.

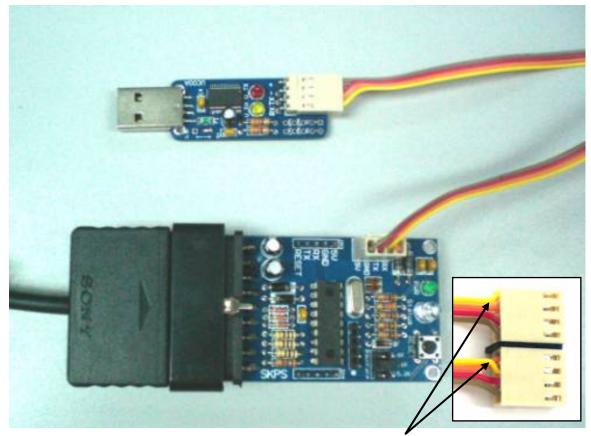


Example of connection to PIC16F877A microcontroller

6.2 Computer

SKPS can be connected to PC for functionality test. Another main concern during development using SKPS is to check the functionality. Normally, user will need to develop RS232 level shifter for communication to serial port. This generates extra work just to check the functionality of SKPS. Furthermore, laptop and computer nowadays have phase-out the serial port, USB have replaced it. With these reasons, an USB to UART converter have been developed. Now, no extra work is required to check the functionally of on board SKPS. Simply plug SKPS to UC00A and USB port of computer (PC or Laptop), install driver (1st time) and there is an extra virtual COM port ready for SKPS. Checking functionality is simple as 1, 2, 3.

a. Simply connect UC00A to SKPS, another end (A type) of UC00A to PC as shown in following figure. User might need to connect the RX and TX pin toUC00A. Of course, these two pins should be cross connected to UC00A. In other words, RX should be connected to UC00A's Transmitter pin (Tx), while TX should be connected to UC00A's Receiver pin (Rx). No extra component is necessary between these connections.

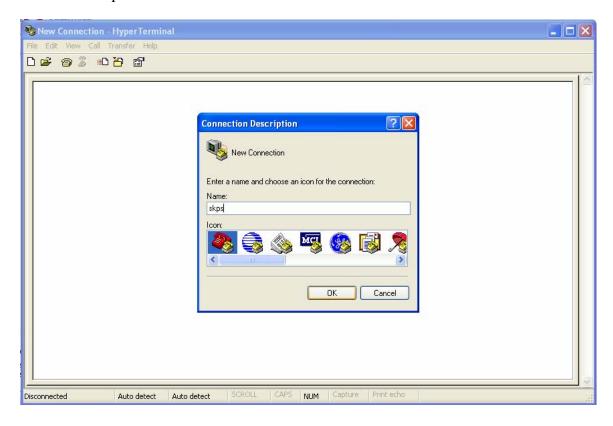


Wires in pin 1 and 2 are crossed for the second connector.

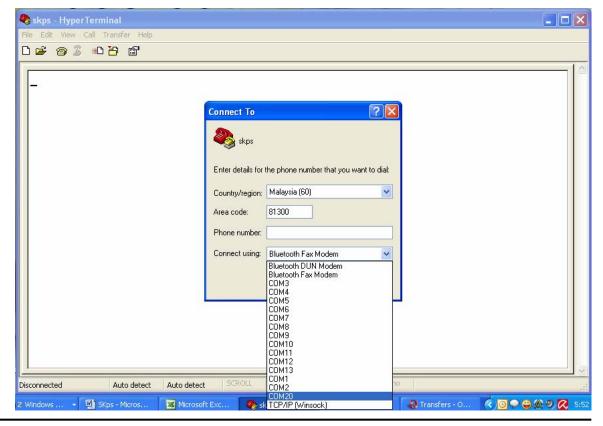
b. Please refer to document named "USB Driver Installation Guide" for driver installation.



c. After plug in the SKPS to computer and installation of driver, user is ready to test the functionality of SKPS. Open the HyperTerminal. Enter a name and choose an icon for connection as picture below then click OK.



d. Connect using USB Serial Port. If you are not sure which COM is it, please follow step (e) to (g).



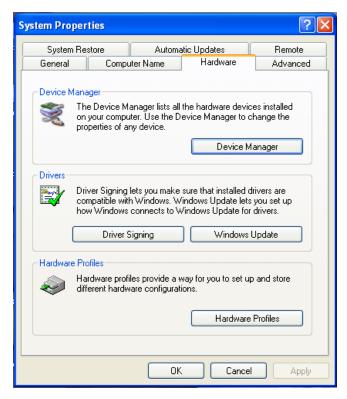


e. Go to Start, right click on My Computer and choose Properties.

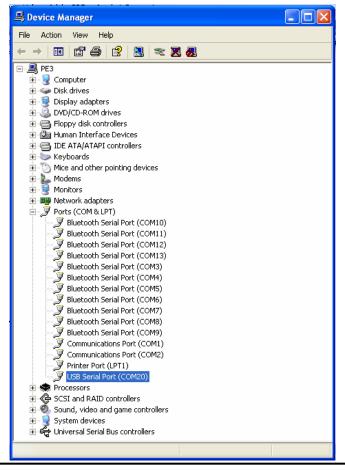




f. At System Properties Table, choose Hardware and click on Device Manager. Device Manager Table will show out.



g. At Device Manager Table, choose Ports (COM & LPT) and you can check your USB Serial Port COM. The Serial Port COM is "COM20" in this case.

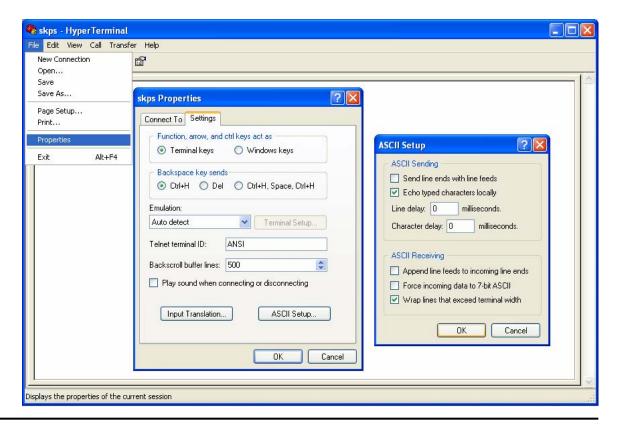




h. Set the Port Setting as picture below. Bits per second must be same with SKPS Baud Rate and Flow control must be set to none. After finish setting, click Apply and then click OK.

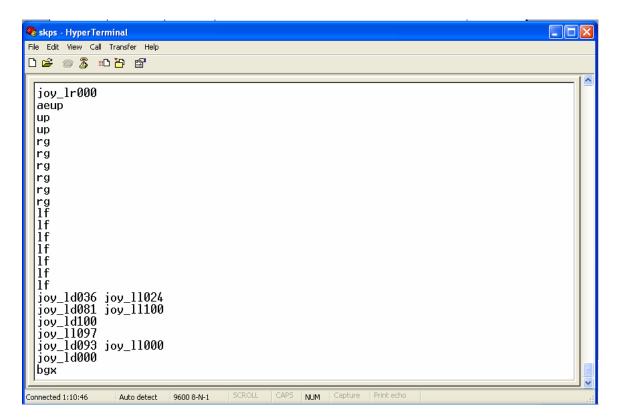


i. Go to File and select Properties. 'skps' Properties table will show. Choose Setting tab and click ASCII Setup tab. Click on Echo typed characters locally and then click OK.





j. After all settings are complete, user may now check the functionality of SKPS. Please refer ASCII Mode (PC) protocol in Section 6.2. Type "ae" to enable the return of any key pressed or changes of joystick automatically. Type "ad" to disable this feature.



k. Make sure data is sent in correct protocol by SKPS when button or joystick is being manipulated (press or push). If the data can be obtained, the SKPS is working.



6.3 PS2 Controller

User may choose either wired or wireless PS2 Controller to be connected to SKPS. Figure below shows the method to connect PS2 controller to SKPS board. There are many types of PS controller in the market and the sensitivity for each type also different. User is advised to use original PS2 controller. Cytron Technologies does not guarantee compatibility for all PS2 controllers.



(a) Wireless Connection



(b) Wired Connection



Figure below shows an example of PS2 controller which can be used for SKPS. There are 16 buttons that can be used as input button in PS2 controller.

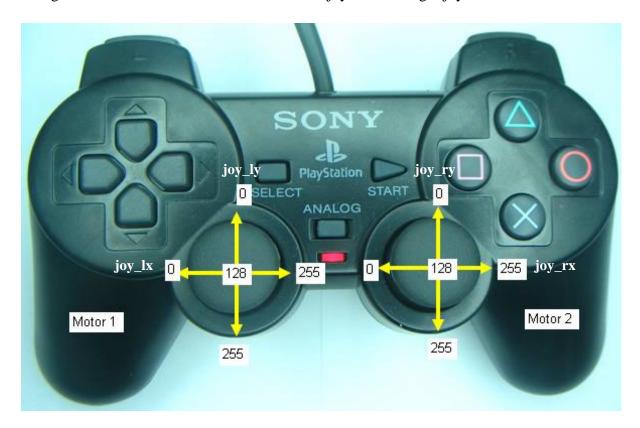


Analog value of Left Joystick and Right Joystick can be read from SKPS. There are 2 axes that can be read which are Type 1 and Type 2. It will be mentioned briefly after this. User can use either Type 1 or Type 2.

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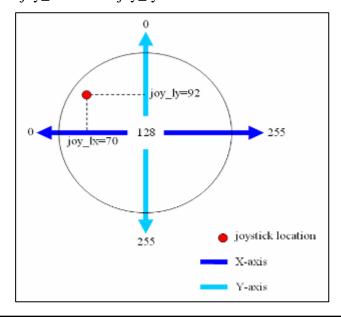


For Type 1, there are 2 variables for each joystick which is axis X and axis Y. For example user can move the joystick up, down for Y axis and left, right for X axis. For Y axis, when users move the joystick up, the value will change from 128 to 0; when user move the joystick down, the value will change from 128 to 255. For X axis, when users move the joystick right, the value will change form 128 to 255; when user move the joystick left, the value will change from 128 to 0. This axis is same for left joystick and right joystick on PS2 controller.



(a) Type 1

Let's take an example on left joystick. Referring to the figure below, the left joystick is moved a bit to the left and a bit to the up direction. So, the value of joy_lx and joy_ly will changed, as in the figure joy_lx=70 and joy_ly=92.



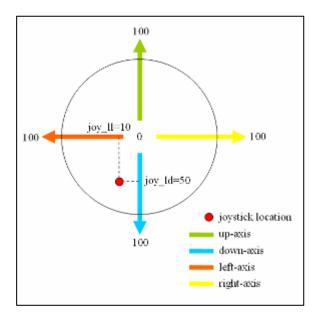


For type 2, they are 4 variables for each joystick. The 4 variables are up, down, left and right. When users move the joystick up, down, left or right the value is at range 0-100. This axis is same for left joystick and right joystick on PS controller.



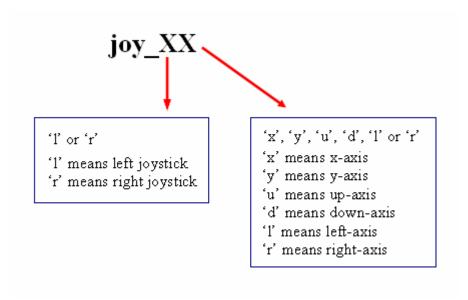
(b) Type 2

For example, when left joystick is being move 10% to left and 50% to down position, the value of joy_ll and joy_ld will change, as in figure below, joy_ll=10 and joy_ld=50. However the value of joy_lu=0 and joy_lr=0.





Please take note that the joy_lx, joy_ly, joy_rx and joy_ry is for type 1 axis; joy_lu, joy_ld, joy_ll, joy_ru, joy_rd, joy_rl and joy_rr is for type 2 axis. This variable is being name according to a standard format.





7. PROTOCOL

7.1 Non-ASCII Mode (Microcontroller)

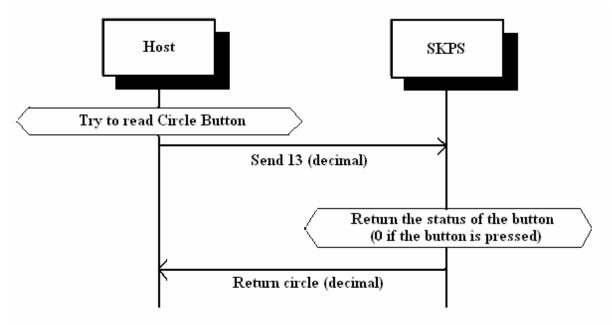
7.1.1 Button and PS2 Controller Status

Send (decimal)	Button of Controller	Description
0	select button	
1	left joystick center button	
2	right joystick center button	
3	start button	SKPS will return the status of
4	up button	corresponding button when the particular
5	right button	decimal value is received of if the button is pressed
6	down button	1 if button is not pressed
7	left button	
8	L2 button	Example: If microcontroller sent 10 (decimal), SKPS
9	R2 button	will check L1 button status on PS2
10	L1 button	Controller. SKPS will return
11	R1 button	0 if L1 button is pressed or
12	triangle button	1 if L1 is not pressed.
13	circle button	
14	cross button	
15	square button	
16	left joystick x-axis	
17	left joystick y-axis	
18	right joystick x-axis	
19	right joystick y-axis	SKPS will return the particular value of
20	left joystick up value	corresponding joystick in the selected axis
21	left joystick down value	Evanuela
22	left joystick left value	Example: If microcontroller sent 20 (decimal), SKPS
23	left joystick right value	will read and return the value of left
24	right joystick up value	joystick up.
25	right joystick down value	
26	right joystick left value	
27	right joystick right value	
28		SKPS will read controller status 1 is return if controller is detected

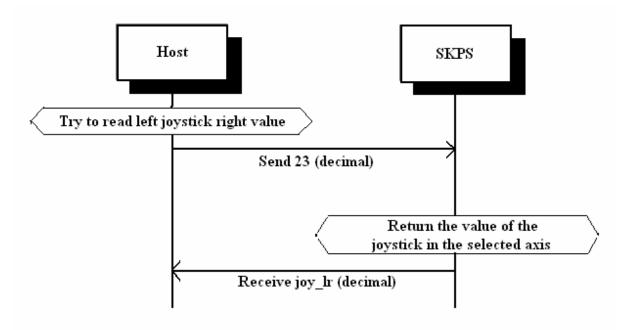


7.1.2 On board Vibrator Motor Control

send 1st byte (decimal)	send 2nd byte (decimal)	Controller	Description
29	motor1 value	small vibrator placed on right side	motor1 = 1 or 0 (on or off)
30	motor2 value	big vibrator placed on left side	motor2 = 0 -> 255 (adjustable vibration)



(a) Example Communication of Circle Button Operation



(b) Example Communication of Left Joystick Right Value Operation



7.2 ASCII Mode (PC)

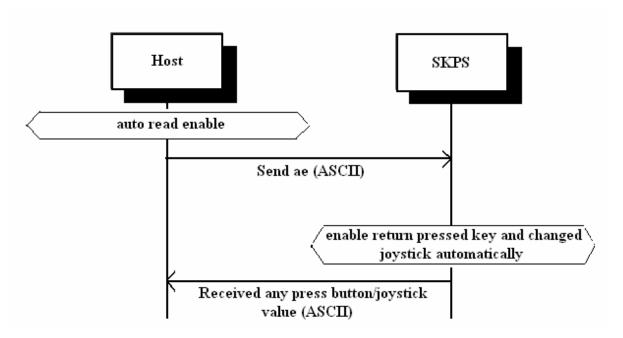
7.2.1 Button and PS2 Controller Status

Send 2 byte	Button of Controller	Description
up	up button	
dw	down button	
lf	left button	
rg	right button	SKPS will return the status of corresponding
tr	triangle button	button when the particular ASCII value is received
cr	circle button	'0' if the button is pressed
sq	cross button	'1' if button is not pressed
ci	square button	Example:
st	start button	If microcontroller sent 'r2' (ASCII), SKPS will
se	select button	check R2 button status on PS2 Controller. SKPS
jl	left joystick center button	will return '0' if R2 button is pressed or
jr	right joystick center button	'1' if R2 is not pressed.
11	L1 button	["Enter" after every result]
12	L2 button	
r1	R1 button	
r2	R2 button	
lx	left joystick x-axis	SKPS will return the particular value of
ly	left joystick y-axis	corresponding joystick in the selected axis
rx	right joystick x-axis	(3 byte, in ASCII). Example: '235' or '029'.
ry	right joystick y-axis	["Enter" after every result]
lu	left joystick up value	
ld	left joystick down value	
11	left joystick left value	SKPS will return the particular value of
lr	left joystick right value	corresponding joystick in the selected axis
ru	right joystick up value	(3 byte, in ASCII). Example: '039' or '027'.
rd	right joystick down value	["Enter" after every result]
rl	right joystick left value	
rr	right joystick right value	
cs		SKPS will read controller status '1' is return if controller is detected
unknown		SKPS will return 'x' if unknown data is sent.



7.2.2 Read Key Functions

Send 2 byte	Received	Controller	Description
rk	all key status	any press button/joystick value	SKPS will return pressed key and changed joystick value once. ["Enter" after result]
ae	auto read enable	any press button/joystick value	SKPS will enable return pressed key and changed joystick automatically. ["Enter" after result]
ad	auto read disable	any press button/joystick value	SKPS will disable return pressed key and changed joystick automatically. ["Enter" after result]

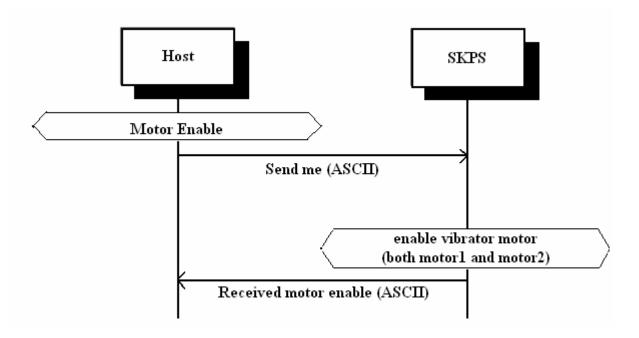


Example communication of Auto Read Enable Operation



7.2.3 On board Vibrator Motor Control

Send 2 byte	Received	Description
me	motor enable	SKPS will enable vibrator motor (both motor1 and motor2)
md	motor disable	SKPS will disable vibrator motor



Example Communication of Motor Enable Operation.



8. GETTING STARTED

For this section, SKPS will be interfaced with PR23. Please refer PR23, DIY project from Cytron website for details example of interfacing to SKPS. PR23 shows the method of using SKXBee, since SKPS UART pin is designed to be compatible to SKXBee, user may replace SKXBee with SKPS on PR23. Please refer to http://www.cytron.com.my/PR23.asp for the details of PR23. For method of writing most simple program to use with SKPS, please refer steps below and for sample full version source code, user may get it from Cytron Website (same page as SKPS).

a. Set the configuration for UART. Make sure the baud rate is correct.

b. Definition of every button and joystick. For following example, "p_" is added in front of PS2 controller label for easy understandable and avoid crash with other variable or instructions.

```
//skps protocol
#define p_select
#define p_joyl
#define p_joyr
#define p_start
#define p up
#define p_right
#define p_down
#define p_left
#define p_12
                       8
#define p_r2
#define p_ll
                       10
#define p_rl
                      11
#define p_triangle
#define p_circle
                       13
#define p_cross
                       14
#define p_square
                       15
#define p_joy_lx
                       16
#define p joy ly
                      17
#define p_joy_rx
                       18
#define p_joy_ry
                       19
#define p_joy_lu
                       20
                       21
#define p_joy_ld
#define p_joy_ll
#define p_joy_lr
                      23
#define p_joy_ru
                       24
#define p_joy_rd
#define p_joy_rl
                       26
#define p_joy_rr
#define p_con_status
                       28
#define p_motorl
                       29
#define p_motor2
                       30
```



c. Function to read SKPS and control the joystick. Below are examples of UART function and SKPS function. Comments explain each command. UART function controls process of sending and receiving data via UART while SKPS function is to read information on PS2 controller including function to read button and joystick and control the vibrator motor.

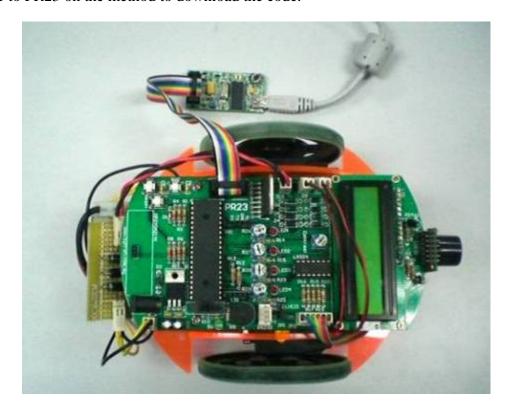
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// uart function
//-----
void uart_send(unsigned char data) //function to send out a byte via uart
   while (TXIF==0);
                             //wait for previous data to finish send out
   TXREG=data;
                             //send new data
                             //function to wait for a byte receive from uart
unsigned char uart rec(void)
   unsigned char temp;
   while (RCIF==0);
                             //wait for data to received
   temp=RCREG;
                             //return the received data
   return temp;
// skps function
//-----
unsigned char skps(unsigned char data) //function to read button and joystick
                                       //information on ps controller
  uart_send(data);
  return uart rec();
unsigned char skps_vibrate(unsigned char motor, unsigned char value)
                                       //function to control the vibrator motor
   uart_send(motor);
                                       //on ps controller
  uart_send(value);
```

d. Below are sample on how to use those function that mentioned above. For first command, when L1 is pressed, buzzer will beep. Second command is to test if there is any obstacle in front. For PR23 we use ultrasonic sensors to detect the obstacles. If obstacle is detected, motor in PS2 controller will vibrate.

NOTE: User may download this sample source code from product page of SKPS.



e. After finish writing the program, user may compile it and load the source code. Please refer to PR23 on the method to download the code.



f. Upon loading the program, PR23 is now ready to operate with SKPS. User may test it using PS2 controller, try each button and function. Have fun!





9. WARRANTY

- ➤ Product warranty is valid for 6 months.
- > Warranty only applies to manufacturing defect.
- > Damage caused by mis-use is not covered under warranty.
- Warranty does not cover freight cost for both ways.

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